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SUBJECT: F-5A'S FOR ETHIOPIA

REF: A) JIDDA 4526; B) JIDDA 4624; C) STATE 151862

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1. PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION (PD) ON F-5A'S STILL PENDING
IN WHITE HOUSE.

2. FOR ADDIS: IN VIEW PROBABLE REFUSAL OF SAUDI AUTHORI-
TIES TO PERMIT OVERFLIGHT THESE AIRCRAFT THE FOLLOWING
ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF DELIVERY HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT
BY DOD. EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM PMG OF SAUDI POSITION AND
OBTAIN ITS PREFERENCE BETWEEN METHODS A AND B AS SET FORTH
BELOW. AS ITEMS ARE MAP SURPLUS AND ARE CHARGED AGAINST
WORLDWIDE MAP REDISTRIBUTABLE ACCOUNT AND NOT ETHIOPIAN MAP
PROGRAM, PAYMENT FOR PACKING, CRATING, HANDLING AND TRANS-
PORTATION MUST, AS MATTER OF STANDARD USG POLICY, BE MADE
BY PMG AS FMS CASH SALES CASE.

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A) DELIVERY BY MEANS OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY C-5
FLIGHTS TO TEHRAN WHICH WOULD ADD ON A LEG TO ADDIS, FLYING
AROUND SAUDI ARABIA. THIS WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$520,000
AND EFFECT DELIVERY HOPEFULLY IN AUGUST BUT PERHAPS NOT

UNTIL SEPTEMBER, ASSUMING EARLY SIGNATURE OF PD AND ETHIOPIAN SIGNATURE OF LOA. JULY C-5 WOULD DELIVER F-5E'S TO TEHRAN AND DEPART. AFTER F-5E'S ARE TAKEN OUT OF SHIPPING CRATES, ETHIOPIAN F-5A'S WOULD BE DISASSEMBLED AND PLACED THEREIN, TO BE PICKED UP AND DELIVERED TO ADDIS BY AUGUST

C-5 FLIGHT. HOWEVER, NO COSTS COULD BE INCURRED ON DISASSEMBLING AND PACKING OF F-5A'S UNTIL PMG SIGNS LOA.

B) DELIVERY BY SPECIALLY SCHEDULED C-5 FLIGHTS. THIS WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$750,000 TO \$825,000 AND EFFECT DELIVERY ONE WEEK TO TEN DAYS AFTER DECISION MADE OR PD SIGNED, WHICHEVER IS LATER. WE WILL PROVIDE MORE DETAILED DATA AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

3. FOR JIDDA: EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK EARLY FINAL REPLY FROM GOS ON OVERFLIGHT REQUEST. KISSINGER

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